

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 PARIS 21754 131553Z

51

ACTION L-03

INFO OCT-01 EUR-25 EA-11 ADP-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-07 H-03

INR-10 NSAE-00 NSC-10 PA-03 RSC-01 PRS-01 SS-15

USIA-15 COME-00 EB-11 JUSE-00 SCA-01 SCSE-00 AEC-11

RSR-01 /129 W

----- 073591

R 131500Z AUG 73

FM AMEMBASSY PARIS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2499

INFO AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

AMEMBASSY SUVA

AMCONSUL SYDNEY

AMEMBASSY WELLINGTON

COMDT COAST GUARD

CINCPAC

UNCLAS PARIS 21754

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PARM PFOR, NZ, FR

SUBJECT: YACHT FRI - LATEST DEVELOPMENTS

REF: PARIS 21670

1. TODAY'S PRESS CARRIES STORES THAT FRI WAS TURNED BACK FROM FRENCH TERRITORIAL WATERS ADJACENT TAHITI ON ORDERS OF GOVERNOR. EMBASSY ASKED ALLINE OF QUAI SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS OFFICE FOR CLARIFICATION IN LIGHT INFORMATION CONTAINED REFTTEL. HIS EXPLANATION WAS AS FOLLOWS:

2. ON AUGUST 11 FRI, HAVING APPROACHED TO WITHIN 18 NAUTICAL MILES OF TAHITI, CONTACTED GOVERNOR'S OFFICE BY RADIO ASKING PERMISSION TO DOCK ON GROUNDS CREW WAS TIRED AND BOAT NEEDED REPAIRS. GOVERNOR ASKED WHETHER FRI WOULD ALLOW FRENCH NAVAL SPECIALISTS TO INSPECT BOAT TO DETERMINE WHETHER REPAIRS WERE IN FACT NEEDED. FRI SKIPPER REPLIED AFFIRMATIVELY AND EXPERTS FROM UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 PARIS 21754 131553Z

FRENCH NAVAL VESSEL VICTOR SCHOELCHER CONDUCTED INSPECTION.

THESE EXPERTS DETERMINED THAT BOAT HAD NOT SUFFERED ANY NEW DAMAGE AND WAS IN SAME CONDITION AS WHEN IT LEFT MURUROA. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES GOVERNOR DECLINED PERMISSION FOR FRI TO ENTER FRENCH TERRITORIAL WATERS AND DOCK AT PAPEETE.

3. ALLINE SAID THAT INCIDENT IS PROBABLY NOT YET OVER SINCE FRI IS STILL REMAINING JUST OUTSIDE FRENCH TERRITORIAL LIMITS.

4. ALLINE WILL KEEP EMBASSY INFORMED OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS. STONE

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: WELFARE & WHEREABOUTS, PORT CLEARANCES, SHIP ACCIDENTS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 13 AUG 1973
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: n/a
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 JAN 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1973PARIS21754
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: n/a
From: PARIS
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1973/newtext/t19730841/aaaabefi.tel
Line Count: 70
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE
Office: ACTION L
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: PARIS 21670
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: kellerpr
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 07 SEP 2001
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <07-Sep-2001 by reddocgw>; APPROVED <15-Jan-2002 by kellerpr>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: YACHT FRI - LATEST DEVELOPMENTS
TAGS: PARM, PFOR, NZ, FR
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005